

# TURKEY DECLARES WAR AGAINST THE ALLIES

## Shells Odessa and Starts a Holy War Among the Mohammedans Old Story of Unchecked Fire Due to Lack of Water Pressure And Deficient Water Supply

The devastation of Brougher avenue begun two years ago was completed last night by a conflagration which started in the Nevada theater. Fourteen houses in addition to the old ramshackle theater were burned and as many owners deprived of the savings of a lifetime. This morning nothing remains but a mass of cinders and smoking ruins. The fire department did good service, but were slow in arriving, and could not overcome the handicap of a lack of water. Water will not run up hill.

This is the third conflagration occurring since the Public Service Commission urged the town board to install special fire protection by establishing a fire reserve high pressure tank on the upper slope of Mount Brougher.

The fire last night is still another indictment of the gross recklessness and incompetency of the town board. The little red auto truck which cost the county \$3,500 stood before the assembled multitudes silent and unconscious of the maledictions hurled at the men who authorized the purchase rather than use the same money as part payment for the installation of a high pressure fire protection.

The loss will not fall short of \$25,000, only a small part of which is covered by insurance. The sufferers are chiefly poor people who lost their all.

Two blocks were added to the unsightly gap caused by fire on Brougher avenue, and the West End mine, employing sixty men, was in grave jeopardy for a time until Manager Chandler resorted to dynamite and other means of removing the menace of burning houses which hedged in the shaft, galleys frame and hoisting plant of the mine. Owing to the fact that no inducements or arguments could force the crowd to retire to a safe distance it was impossible to use as heavy a charge of dynamite as would have brought immediate results, but the effect of the explosive was to tear out the interior of two houses and leave the frame an easy prey for the flames to finish. As the fire tore through the thin shells the walls and roofs collapsed and the danger of the fire communicating to the mine was overcome. As a further precaution Manager Chandler, who had called every man from below to the surface, started bulkheading the shaft two sets below the collar so that if the flames communicated to the galleys frame they would not penetrate the workings.

The alarm was sounded at 11:05 by John C. Martin, of the Bonanza, who lives directly across Brougher avenue from the theater. He had occasion to go to the telephone at that time and after getting central and before the connection could be established was startled to see a column of fire shoot from the corner of the theater directly over the main entrance. Breaking in on the first call Mr. Martin asked central to give the fire department and told the company that the Nevada theater was ablaze. In less than two minutes the entire structure was a mass of fire. The flames broke through the roof in the rear on Prospect avenue over the stage, where the draft fanned the fire to an intense heat that threatened every house in the vicinity. When the fire department arrived the Holly boarding house, owned by Mrs. Carey at the corner of South and Brougher, was smoking and ready to ignite. A stream was played on this house and then the little cabin of Mrs. Carberry at the corner of Prospect avenue began to show signs of smoking. The large stone residence occupied by John C. Martin at the corner of Brougher and Prospect began to smoke and water was directed on the deep sloping shingle roof and overhanging porch with good effect, but it was evident that nothing could hold the fire back, but just at the crisis the wind changed from the north to the east and the firemen succeeded in saving the handsome home with a loss of about \$300.

In the meantime the fire spread with lightning rapidity through the small homes back of the Nevada theater and rendered the escape of the occupants a matter of some danger.

Most of the families had retired for the night and were in the deep slumber of their first sleep, requiring considerable effort to arouse them. Among these was James C. Robertson, who occupied a suite of rooms in the home of Mrs. Corrigan. He had gone to bed early and did not know anything of the fire until the house was burning. He was only awakened by hammering on the door and just had time to seize a suit of clothes and dash for the door. The heat was so intense that it melted the glass in the window of Robertson's bathroom and let it flow into the tub. Robertson was not insured and suffers a loss of \$1,000.

Joe Bush, the carpenter, was asleep in his house alongside of the theater and his home was in flames. Parties broke the door down, arousing him just in time to prevent his death by incineration.

Among those who were quick to see the first flash of fire were Fannie Holmes and Irene Cary, who were chatting at the gate of the latter's home opposite the front of the theater. They saw the flames shoot out of the front of the building from a point over the entrance and apparently from the room occupied by Sam Haas, the janitor of the theater. As they stood spellbound with amazement for a second or two the fire shot up the curtain of the upper window and then both girls ran down towards Main street screaming. A party of men, including Charles Epstine, were standing near the corner of the Bonanza office when they also saw the fire and instantly somebody began shouting to spread the alarm.

As the fire broke through the rear stage entrance it raced across the narrow width of Prospect avenue and seized on a coal shed and outhouses of a two-story house owned by Henry Eck, the well known waterman. In a few minutes the house caught and an intense heat was created to the street. Then turning down Edwards street the first cabin back of the Eck house owned by Mrs. Thomas was removed in a flash and the occupant had a narrow escape from being burned to death. He was awakened by Mrs. Thomas who seized a quantity of his belongings and carried them to a place of safety. Then down along Edwards street there was a stubborn fight to save the old time residences, including those of such families as the Robbs, McQuillans, Douglas and Burnham. A house occupied by James Kearns, formerly of the MacNamara mine, stood directly in the path and in a few minutes neighbors removed every article from the inside even to the rugs, carpets and pictures. The intentions of the salvors were good, but after a stiff fight the firemen succeeded in checking the fire before it reached the Kearns home. Across the alley in front of the West End hotel stood a strongly built house which Manager Chandler decided to remove forthwith. He had one of the big freight trucks ready and placing a chain through a door and window, pulled with such force that the chain cut through the walls like a rip saw. Then a hold was taken on one side and by a series of jerks the motor truck managed to pull the place out of the danger zone. The presence of the motor truck was due to the forethought of John Sellstrom, chief chauffeur for the West End. When he heard the familiar notes of the West End siren sing out the wild alarm he did not wait to dress, but sprang into his shoes and throwing a blanket around his body jumped into the seat of one of the freighters and pulled out for the West End with all the speed the big five-ton machine could muster.

The beautiful home of D. J. Robb was the object of a masterly fight that resulted in saving the property. Everything had been removed even to a sack of spuds from the back porch and two score cheerful helpers took such care of the furniture that very little loss resulted from breakage. It was an hour before the people of the vicinity felt safe, as the wind was blowing steadily in their direction, but a slight abatement of the breeze enabled the firemen to gain control.

The Nevada theater was built in 1902 by Knickerbocker, who failed to pay for the construction and the property reverted to the Tonopah Lumber company. The house was the only place in Tonopah for road shows and under the management of Aylesworth, of the Majestic theater in Reno and the Hippodrome in Goldfield, did quite a business and acquired a reputation as one of the best paying amusement ventures in the southern country. Then the house was converted into a dancing academy after fire put the Miners' Exchange hall out of business two years ago. Then for a short time it was used for a roller skating rink and after the passing of that fad was held for rental purposes. The title is in the name of Julius Smith and Jake Goodfriend, who carried an insurance of \$1,000.

The origin of the fire is in doubt and there is no chance of it being cleared up, as not a vestige of the building remains to furnish the slightest clue. However, it is conceded by those who were first on the scene that the fire began in the rooms situated over the entrance or in a corner of the gallery close to the room occupied by Sam Haas, the janitor. Haas had not been in his room all night. The theater had been rented by the friends of Miss Minnie Bronson, the anti-suffrage lecturer, who addressed a packed house with standing room only. The lecture was over at 10:15 and then an altercation occurred on the stage between a party of Socialists who demurred to the statements of the lecturer, so it was not until 10:30 that the place was vacated.

Sam Haas says he was very particular last night about closing. Before leaving he insisted on going through the house in a most thorough manner, although three friends waiting for him to go to lunch expostulated over the delay. Haas even went to the trouble of cutting out the electric light switch from the street connection and left the house satisfied that everything was all right. He had not reached Main street before he heard the cry of fire and turned to see the place enveloped in flame.

The losses are apportioned as follows:

James Morris, former owner of the Tonopah Miner, now a resident of San Francisco, four houses valued at \$2,250.

The Nevada theater, owned by Tonopah & Goldfield Amusement company, valued at \$5,000, insured for \$1,000.

Holly Helmer, three furnished houses valued at \$6,000, insured for \$1,800.

Mrs. J. H. Monteath, Glacier Park, Mont., residence \$2,000, insurance \$700.

Henry Eck, two houses furnished, \$2,500, no insurance.

John C. Martin, damage \$300.

James C. Robertson, personal property \$1,000.

George Hickernell, personal property \$250.

Mrs. Thomas Thomas, five-room furnished house, \$1,250, no insurance.

Kelly & Bush, carpenter shop, \$500.

S. K. Bradford, two small houses, loss \$700.

S. K. Bradford, the mining engineer, who lives in Los Angeles, suffered a serious loss in the destruction of a cabin formerly used for an assay office. The equipment was reckoned as the best ever carried in Tonopah and the loss cannot be less than \$1,500.

West End Consolidated Mining company, change room, \$700, insured.

It is a good while since anybody in Europe has sneered at the idealism of Dr. Wilson.—Springfield Republican.

### Irish Won't Fight For Union Jack

NEW YORK, Oct. 30.—Four hundred Irishmen arrived today. They left Ireland because they heard the British would soon enforce conscription. Emigration from Dublin by men of military age is heavier this fall than for many years.

## ENGLAND MAY FACE UPRISING IN INDIA GREECE JOINS HANDS WITH THE TURKS RUSSIA IS AROUSED TO A HIGH PITCH

(By International News Service.)

LONDON, Oct. 30.—Turkey has cast the die for war. The news that she opened hostilities against Russia, here means that she is ready to attack England and France as well. Preparations are being made for departure of the allies' representatives from Constantinople, though England has given the Porte one more chance to avoid participation.

Acting on orders from the British foreign office, Sir Louis Mallet, English ambassador at Constantinople, warned the grand vizier of Turkey that if the Turks cross the Egyptian frontier she will precipitate a conflict with the powers of the Triple Entente.

That Turkey will take part in the war has not been doubted since she refused to repatriate the crews of the German cruisers Goeben and Breslau.

The result of Turkey's action is far reaching. If Germany and Austria, with whom she is allied are successful, the porte will regain the European territory which she lost in the Balkan war. If they are defeated Turkey will be driven from Europe. Greece also is likely to enter the war at once. She of course will oppose her ancient enemy, the Turks. Roumania probably will do likewise. Bulgaria, deprived by Roumania, Greece and Servia of the spoils won in the Balkan war, may side with Turkey, but action cannot be accurately foretold.

The menace of Turkey's action lies in the possibility of a "holy war" by the Mohammedans against the Christians. She undoubtedly will attempt to incite the great mass of Mohammedan subjects of Great Britain in Asia and Africa.

British experts are unable to figure how Turkey expects to defeat Russia on the Black sea. The czar's fleet is much more powerful than the sultan's.

(By Associated Press.)

BORDEAUX, Oct. 30.—It is announced officially that two Turkish torpedo boat destroyers entered the port of Odessa, in the Black sea, sunk a Russian gunboat, and damaged also the French liner Portugal.

(By International News Service.)

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30.—The state department has received a cablegram from the American consul at Odessa stating the city was bombarded and American property destroyed.

(By Associated Press.)

PETROGRAD, Oct. 30.—In addition to Odessa, Turkish ships also bombarded Theodosia, Crimea and Nevorossyck, the seaport of Caucasus. Excitement in Petrograd is the greatest since the declaration of war against Germany.

(By Associated Press.)

PARIS, Oct. 30.—The forces of Germans which passed the Yser were compelled to withdraw by reason of the inundation of the low country by the Belgians. An official statement reviewing the battle line says the allies progressed almost everywhere.

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Oct. 30.—Interest in the battle raging in east and west Europe is momentarily overshadowed by Turkey's entrance

### CROWDED HOUSE APPLAUDS WOMAN ANTI-SUFFRAGIST

WOMAN'S INFLUENCE NOT AS EFFECTIVE AS BEFORE SUFFRAGE.

Miss Minnie Bronson, general secretary of the National Association of Women Opposed to Woman Suffrage, addressed last night at the Nevada theater the largest audience ever assembled in that house. Not only was every seat taken, but every available foot of standing room in the rear of the balcony was occupied.

Judge H. R. Cooke introduced Miss Bronson in a brief address. Mrs. Jewett Adams, of Carson City, wife of former Governor Adams, and president of the Nevada Association Opposed to Woman Suffrage, who is accompanying Miss Bronson on her present tour of Nevada, occupied a front seat.

Prefacing her remarks with a lucid interesting explanation of the purposes of the National Association Opposed to Woman Suffrage, in which she declared that women have obtained and will continue to obtain legislation for the betterment and advancement of humanity more effectively without, than with, the ballot, Miss Bronson dissected, one by one, the arguments of the advocates of equal suffrage. She enumerated and pointed out in

a convincing manner the many movements for social betterment launched and carried to fruition, many of them occurring in states in which equal suffrage now obtains, prior to the enfranchisement of women. She averred that it is already evident in equal suffrage states that women striving for the betterment of mankind are losing their effectiveness in consequence of political divisions in their ranks.

Miss Bronson denied that her organization is actuated in its opposition to equal suffrage by any desire to serve private interests, declaring that the personnel of the association makes the claim of the suffragists on that score absurd.

After the lecture a number of unwashed who termed themselves Socialists began asking questions of a most insulting character, but in each case Miss Bronson retorted with such spirit and directness that the disturbers slunk out of the house.

### GERMAN WARSHIPS IN THE BLACK SEA

(By International News Service.)

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30.—The Goeben and Breslau may have bombarded the Russian cities of their own initiative, under the German flag. Both warships are under German command.

A tax on war talk would produce enough revenue to pay the national debt.—Washington Post.

into the great war through inauguration of hostilities against Russia. An interesting phase of Turkey's action is the probable effect on the delicate Balkan situation, next is what Greece will do. Should Greece enter the war arena the two expatriated American battleships, Idaho and Mississippi, recently sold her, will be heard from. Turkey makes the conflict involve ten nations.

The war strength of Turkey's army is 300,000 with a navy of three battleships, four cruisers, sixty-two gunboats, destroyers, etc.

(By International News Service.)

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 30.—An Ostend dispatch says the fighting in Belgium between Middelkerke and Jabbeke is now all hand to hand, the opposing forces being unable to use artillery because they would kill their own men. The dead cover the battlefield which a dispatch declares looks "like a slaughterhouse."

(By Associated Press.)

PETROGRAD, Oct. 30.—Russian views of the action of Turkey in bombarding two unfortified ports without a declaration of war is infinitely more important to England than to Russia on account of English communications with India and her position in Egypt. Russia's policy against Turkey will not be one of general aggression, but merely of defense.

(By International News Service.)

PETROGRAD, Oct. 30.—Cernowitz, the capital of Bukovina, was recaptured by Russians today. This city was evacuated by the Russians when they sent troops to reinforce General Broussiloff in Galicia. Cernowitz then was recaptured by the Austrians.

(By International News Service.)

COPENHAGEN, Oct. 30.—It is stated preparations are being made in Berlin for the public annexation of Belgium under Kaiser Wilhelm Von Belgium.

### HOSPITAL SHIP SINKS IN STORM IN THE CHANNEL

VESSEL OF MERCY WRECKED IN A TERRIFIC STORM ON ENGLISH COAST.

(By International News Service.)

WHITBY, England, Oct. 30.—The British hospital ship Rohilla, bound from England to France to bring home wounded, was wrecked in a terrific storm. Life savers succeeded in getting off two boatloads of survivors. Others, including the crew, are now in the rigging. Several bodies have come ashore. The vessel is of 7,000 tons and carried thirty doctors with a full hospital equipment.

### POSTAL SAVINGS SHOW INCREASE FOR TONOPAH

OVER FOUR HUNDRED ACCOUNTS KEPT AT LOCAL POST OFFICE.

The increase in the local postal savings deposits since the month of July has been very favorable. The increase in deposits for July was \$3,417, for August \$3,641, for September \$3,362, while the number of new accounts opened in July was 41, in August 81, for September 43. The total amount on deposit to the credit of the depositors on October 1st was \$94,832 and the total number of accounts was 463.

GERMANS TRAIN BEDOUINS AGAINST THE BRITISH

(By International News Service.)

LONDON, Oct. 30.—A dispatch to the Star from Aden says demonstrations are occurring. Damascus is at fever heat for war against England. Great massing of Bedouins continues with German officers training them.

Proof of labor blanks for sale at the Bonanza.

TODAY AND A YEAR AGO.			
Official readings of the thermometer by the United States observer at Tonopah:			
	1914	1913	
5 a. m.	49	45	
10 a. m.	56	46	
12 noon	59	55	
2 p. m.	62	60	

### NEW INVENTIONS MAY DECIDE THE GREAT STRUGGLE

MONSTER HOWITZER AND A FLOATING MINE DIRECTED BY ELECTRICITY.

(By International News Service.)

BERLIN, Oct. 30.—Two weapons perfected by Germans are expected to be decisive factors in the present war on both land and sea. One new howitzer is declared to have a range of 27 miles, being far superior to the greatest guns possessed by other nations. The other is a dirigible floating mine whose movements twenty miles from shore are directed by electricity. Both will be used immediately.

ALL BRITISH SUBJECTS ARE LIABLE TO ARREST

(By International News Service.)

BERLIN, Oct. 30.—German has notified Great Britain that if German civilians in England, excepting those held on grounds of suspicion, are not liberated by November 5th, all British subjects in Germany will be arrested.

### Wheat Soars High On Turkish War

(By International News Service.)

CHICAGO, Oct. 30.—The news that Turkey opened war on Russia sent the price of wheat to \$1.22 in the opening trade in the pit today. Today's price is at least 45 per cent greater than July 28 before Germany declared war on France and Russia.